

Amendment No. 3 to SB0334

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 334*

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by deleting from the amendatory Section 55-12-139(b) the language "chapter 50 and any other local ordinance regulating traffic, the officer shall request evidence of financial responsibility as required by this section." and by substituting instead the following language:

chapter 50; any other local ordinance regulating traffic; or at the time of an accident for which notice is required under Section 55-10-106, the officer shall request evidence of financial responsibility as required by this section. In case of an accident for which notice is required under Section 55-10-106, the officer shall request such evidence from all drivers involved in the accident, without regard to apparent or actual fault.

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting the effective date section and by substituting instead the following new sections:

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 12, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as an appropriately designated new section:

Section 55-12-140.

(a) The record of conviction of an offense under Section 55-12-139(c), or a dismissal on grounds that evidence of financial responsibility did not exist at the time of the citation but was obtained prior to disposition by the court, shall be promptly transmitted to the department of safety. For any such conviction or dismissal occurring after July 1, 2003, the commissioner of safety shall not issue a renewal of registration for any vehicle for which evidence of financial responsibility is required under Section 55-12-139 until the person who was convicted of violating

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Section 55-12-139(c) furnishes proof of financial responsibility as defined in Section 55-12-139(b).

(b) This section shall not apply to any person who was in compliance with the Tennessee Financial Responsibility Law of 1977 at the time of the citation under Section 55-12-139(c) but was unable to produce evidence of compliance at the time of the citation. The court shall dismiss any such citation without costs to the defendant and no litigation tax shall be due or collected, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary.

SECTION 10. Sections 1-8 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2002, the public welfare requiring it. Section 9 of this act shall take effect on July 1, 2003, the public welfare requiring it.